



Northwest Arkansas Professional Center Inclement Weather Policy

In the event of weather which might pose a safety hazard for students, faculty, or staff, the campus can be closed for the day and/or evening. Additionally, a Saturday class could be cancelled or delayed. When there is a closing or delay, the official source for information will come from the director in consultation with the COE Dean's Office (Dr. Donny Lee - Dean and Dr. Clara Carroll - Associate Dean). Information will be shared via the television station 40/29 (www.4029tv.com – Weather Resources, Closings) in Rogers and Fort Smith; the HU website and Pipeline through IS&T (Keith Cronk and/or Mike Chalenburg); the HUNWAPC Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram accounts (@HUNWAPC); and via email. The director will email each instructor, and it is the responsibility of the instructor to contact his or her students via Canvas.

When there is inclement weather Monday through Friday, there are a number of combinations of closing and delays that could occur.

- The building may be delayed in opening.
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If there is a delay in opening, the decision will be made by 6:00 am of the day. If the building will be closed for the day, the decision will be made by 6:00 am of the day. A determination for evening classes will be made by 2:00 pm on the day of the class. Students will need to watch for delays and closings for both the building in the day and for evening classes.

When there is inclement weather on Saturday, there are a few combinations of closings and delays that could occur.

- The building may be delayed in opening.
- The building may be closed for the day.

If there is a delay in opening or closing, every effort will be made to make the decision by 5:00 pm the Friday before class. In the event of a delayed opening on a Saturday, students who still have difficulty commuting to the campus safely for classes will be given an excused absence on the day. Students are required to contact the instructor for make-up work.

Safety is our primary concern. Every effort will be made to keep students, instructors, and staff safe while maintaining an exemplary program. We ask our students and instructors to watch all forms of communication on inclement weather days. While the HUNWAPC will watch what Bentonville and Rogers School Districts are doing for inclement weather, our policies will not always follow exactly what these school districts have determined due to melting or decisions made prior to weather occurring.

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